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## INVADER OF CUBA DEPICTS DEBACLE

Prisoner Is Said to Blame staged. 'False' Intelligence

The mass trial of 1,179 Cubans by the invaders. It hurriedly uncaptured to last April's futile loaded some crates but took off invasion has been told that of the vounded. faulty intelligence, presumably by the United States, led to dis- forces drove within 500 yards

were told that they were land- for six cays, ing on an uninhabited beach only to run into troops and of the roads crossing some tanks, according to a letter in thickets in search of crabs."

is in recess until Monday, but The invader was said to have Havana newspapers published written the letter to his parents, the letter, which was purported Mr. and Vis. José Peres Toires to have been written by one of

## Data Held False

The gist of the letter attrinuted to Senor San Roman folows:

The invaders were given false and inexact' information that Premier Fidel Castro's struy was demoralized, that it was without tanks, that the inwaders would go in with sir, beach and that it would take Fremier Castro's forces three tays to react.

The first wave of invadors to land on the beach found that most of its communications sumpment would not work beuse of "simple and fragile" onstruction.

Supply ships vanished peyond he horizon after one haft been amk by the Cuben air! force, which quickly established air operiority. Many air-drapped opplies must have fallen highed in lines of the Castro forens. Instead of an uninhabited each, the invaders ran but a town with hundreds of Uphts" and a communications Bull with Havana, The slarm was aponda swiftly,

The second day dawned with anthout communication or services supplies. The invalors on antiered considerable (1 ) ities from Cuban troops had ent They were without denter shelt

With the first day's landings, diversionary investors also were planned for Pinar del Rio prov ince in the west and origin province in the extremit self There were rumors of such vasions at he time, but he lets said neither invasion had been

## Wounded Left Behind

On the third day of the invasion. .. twin-engine transport MAVANA, March 31 (AP)- landed on an airstrip prepared

When the Castro armored of the invaders' last-ditch post-Supporting landings never tion, Sefor San Roman and a came, promised air cover never group of aides fled to the showed up and invading forces swamps, where they roamed

"Hunger made us come to one troduced at the military trial the letter-zaid. A pairol cap-The trial, in Principe Prison, tured Schor San Roman,

States last summer to try to The indictment charges that in prison.

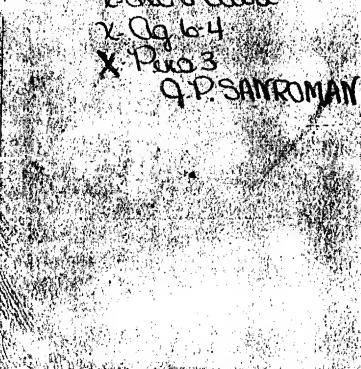
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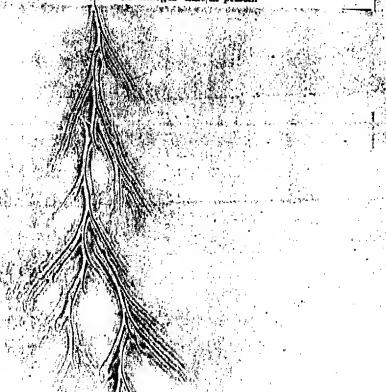
to have been written by one of the invaders, José Perez San of Miam on May 6, 1961, less attained a prisoners-for-tractors the invasion was prepared by Roman, to his parents in Miami, than the veeks after his cap-tachange. The exchange talks the United States Central Insertion San Roman commanded states.

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Anoth r prisoner was quoted in the invaders landed on the as having said that the United States for invented the united States is different to the second states in the States is different to the second states in the subject to go to the Carbo had confirmed to the united States in Guatemala and in the prisoners have pleaded the united States of the united States of the prisoners have pleaded the united States of the united States of the prisoners have pleaded the united States of the unit





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